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## E. intelligence agency mooted

BEIRUT, May 4 (R). — A powerful group of Middle East states has agreed in principle to establish an intelligence agency to protect oilfields from possible sabotage, well-informed news digest reported today. The Beirut-based Arab Press Service (APS) said 11 countries approved in March the broad outlines of a plan to coordinate intelligence-gathering operations. It said the scheme provides for recruiting security agents experienced in counter-insurgency and seeking the cooperation of foreign intelligence networks. APS said it was based on draft prepared by experts from Iran, Saudi Arabia and Iraq.

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## Major breakthrough in package tour holidays in the way for Aqaba

By John Bonar and Alan Martiny  
Special to the Jordan Times

JORDAN, May 4 — A major European holiday company is in final stages of planning a major boost to Aqaba's tourism development, it was learned here today.

The Tjaereborg company of Denmark which has offices in London and the rest of Continental Europe has developed its local agent Shepherds Tours and Travel, for up-to-date package tours from Europe of between 500 and 600 holidaymakers a week arriving in Aqaba, starting Nov. 1. The tourists would be flown on two charter flights a week, one of which will be operated by Alia, the Royal Jordan Airline, and the other by Sterling Airways, a subsidiary of the Tjaereborg Foundation.

Sources close to the Danish company say that agreement has been reached with Alia on the flights and the plan is the full support of Jordan's Tourism Ministry.

A release from the Jordan News Agency today quoted ministry sources as saying this "new arrangement" would be boost for the city of Aqaba" and is the "first of its kind in Jordan."

However the final decision whether or not to go ahead will be taken by Tjaereborg head office in Copenhagen after a report from two Danish executives now in Aqaba. Initial negotiations are now underway with hotels in Aqaba for package tour rates. The Danish company operates a strict classification system and offers tourists the same basic package with price differentials for varying standards of hotel.

While agreements have been reached with Holiday Inn at the Alcazar hotel in Aqaba there is some resistance from a couple of other private sector hotels in the city to the price structure proposed by Tjaereborg.

### Gentle persuasion

Responsible sources at the Ministry of Tourism expressed confidence to the Jordan Times today that "with a little bit of gentle persuasion" these will eventually accept the price structure which is some \$3 below the rate the hotels would like to charge per room-night.

The Ministry of Tourism wholeheartedly supports the move which helps to prove the viability of Aqaba as a potential international tourist resort. With the average Tjaereborg tour numbering 550 tourists, 250 rooms out of Aqaba's total 500 will be booked solid by the tour operators for up to the months of the year.

Initially the company wanted 700 beds in Aqaba but this is "just impossible" said a Ministry official.

Meanwhile with the approval of the Jordanian authorities the Danish company is preparing a brochure and a publicity campaign to sell Aqaba to Danes and other Europeans on the sunnier final details will be agreed and the tours will start early this autumn.

## Nimeiri expects Arab summit in 8 weeks

CROSSWORD

KANDRIA, Egypt, May 4 — Sudanese President Ja- nimeiri said today after a meeting with President Anwar Sadat that the Middle East situation was "on the brink of danger." Nimeiri also told reporters he expected an Arab summit to take place within weeks.

President Nimeiri said: "The (Middle East) situation is now on the brink of danger. Israeli aggression in southern Lebanon has taken the spectre of a Middle East peace several steps back."

He added: "I think Israel is sing a golden opportunity peace and that it is losing real deal through its intransigence because in 30 years he has never been such a chance or opportunity."

President Nimeiri, who has been trying to bring about a rapprochement between Arab differences following President Sadat's visit to Jerusalem last summer, also said: "If things according to plan the (Arab) summit will convene within eight weeks."

At the same time relations between Egypt and five hard-line Arab countries would have to be restored. Egypt broke relations with Iraq, Syria, Libya, Jamahiriya, Algeria and South Yemen after they criticized his peace overtures to Israel.

President Nimeiri said Sudan prepared to host the summit in Khartoum, if this was acceptable to the Arab states. Just over eight weeks time Organisation of African Unity (OAU) foreign ministers' meeting followed by an African summit is due to take place the Sudanese capital.

President Sadat has said he has no objection to resuming talks with the five and no objection to an Arab summit. He has said that such a meeting should define a pan-Arab position and Arab policy must not be a forum for trading politics.

President Nimeiri, who spe-



His Highness Crown Prince Hassan receives gifts of the Holy Koran, in English and Arabic, from Minister of Waqfs and Islamic Affairs Kamel Al Sharif on behalf of the participants in a ten-day training and educational session of religious instructors and guides, at a meeting in the Royal Hashemite Court on Thursday. (JNA photo). (See Prince Hassan calls on religious leaders to preach love of land: Page 2).

## Arafat orders arrest and trial of attackers of French UNIFIL posts

front members at a French checkpoint Monday.

### Control

The commander of the U.N.

### U.N. asks Ireland for troops

DUBLIN, May 4 (R). — The United Nations has formally asked the Irish government to supply troops to increase the U.N. force in south Lebanon.

A spokesman for the Foreign Affairs Unit of the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) said today the request, submitted by U.N. Secretary General Kurt Waldheim in New York.

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Ireland is expected to send about 700 troops to south Lebanon, the largest contingent the Republic has ever sent abroad, according to Irish officials.

Known to us

The sources would not give the number, identity or nationality of those accused of mounting the assaults.

"But they are all known to us," one source said. "A committee formed by the PLO completed an investigation into the clashes Wednesday and the shooting of French commander Col. Jean Germain Salvan this week.

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Most of the attackers were believed to be members of a Lebanese militia group that aligns itself with the Rejection Front of the Palestinian guerrilla movement.

The group called itself the "Popular Resistance Front for the Liberation of the South from Occupation and Fascism." It publicly claimed responsibility for the Tyre assault against the French forces, saying it was in retaliation for the death of two

Lt.-Col. Dominique Viard, 43, an Algerian war paratrooper veteran, was named to replace Col. Jean-Germain Salvan, seriously wounded in southern Lebanon on Tuesday in fighting in which two French soldiers and one Senegalese were killed.

Colonel Salvan was again operating on today at the Hotel Dieu hospital in Beirut for gunshot wounds to the legs, authoritative sources here said.

Reliable sources here said yesterday that France was prepared to send another 500 men to bolster its 1,000-strong contingent in Lebanon.

Increased firepower

The conservative newspaper L'Aurore said the U.N. force was doomed to fail in its mission unless its numbers and firepower were boosted.

"There was an obvious decision to take, to increase the numbers of the U.N. force and we can rejoice that the Security Council agreed on this yesterday. But this is not enough.

The sources said that Mr. Rodger was on his way from Beirut to the UNTSO post at Neakura, on the Lebanon-Israeli border.

The resolution was adopted by 12 votes to none against.

### Briton missing

BEIRUT, May 4 (R). — The hunt was on today for a Briton missing for 48 hours in war-ravaged southern Lebanon, where U.N. troops clashed in heavy fighting with leftist guerrillas last Tuesday.

Reliable sources said that U.N. troops were searching for Colin Rodger, of Surrey, who was believed to be a civilian communications expert attached to the United Nations Truce Supervision Organisation (UNTSO).

The sources said Mr. Rodger was discovered by the driver filling up his car -- painted white and with prominent U.N. markings -- at a petrol station just south of the port of Sidon.

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Maj.-Gen. Emmanuel Erskine told Reuters he would soon meet PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat to discuss the actions of unidentified gunmen, which he said posed the biggest problem for his 4,000 men.

Gen. Erskine returned to Beirut today to rejoin his men after cutting short consultations with Secretary General Kurt Waldheim in New York.

In an interview after his arrival, he said he did not know the identity of the gunmen, but that in the interests of everybody concerned, the PLO should bring themselves under control.

The general said his first priority was to reach a firm understanding with the Palestinians on the role of UNIFIL.

"We are not here to fight anybody, but we have to prevent armed men from coming into areas under our control," Gen. Erskine said.

"I expect to meet Mr. Arafat soon and I will be making this point clear."

Gen. Erskine said reports that his men had been placed on an alert were nonsense.

He said: "There has been no significant change in our deployment. The emphasis is on negotiation, not confrontation."

must have the means to impose international will -- by force if there is no other way," L'Aurore wrote.

Another conservative daily, Le Figaro, said U.N. forces needed clearer orders "because it was hypocrisy or naivete to believe that troops can bring peace to a battlefield simply by their presence and without firing a shot."

Thousands more troops were on duty along the route to the Moated Gynnich Castle, 45 kms. away, where Mr. Brezhnev will be staying, and in the streets of the capital.

Mr. Brezhnev's talks with

### UNIFIL strength upped

UNITED NATIONS, May 3 (R). — The Security Council today approved an increase in the strength of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL) from 4,000 to 6,000 men.

Alluding to clashes between U.N. troops and guerrillas which took the lives of three members of UNIFIL, the council also deplored "the attacks on the U.N. force that have occurred" and demanded full respect for the U.N. force from all parties in Lebanon.

The draft took note of the withdrawal of Israeli forces that has taken place so far and called on Israel to "complete its withdrawal from all Lebanese territory without any further delay."

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## No substantiation of report U.S. has agreed to limit missiles

DENVER, Colorado, May 4 (R). — The New York Times reported today the United States had reached a compromise with the Soviet Union on limiting long-range missiles and bombers, but President Carter said he did not think there was any truth in the report. The newspaper said that the U.S. had tentatively decided to accept a Soviet proposal to limit each side to 2,250 long-range missiles and bombers until the end of 1985. Asked about the report, President Carter, here during a three-day visit to four western states, replied: "I don't think so."

Price: Jordan 50 fils; Syria 50 piastres; Lebanon 75 piastres; Saudi Arabia 1 riyal; UAE 1 dirham; Great Britain 25 pence.

## Carter pressed by key senators to change M.E. arms deal package

WASHINGTON, May 4 (AP). — Key U.S. senators continued today to press the Carter administration for changes in its Mideast jet sale proposal as a means of avoiding a bruising fight on Capitol Hill. Senate minority leader Howard H. Baker Jr., who has avoided saying which way he might vote on the proposal to sell the fighters to Saudi Arabia, Egypt and Israel, said: "I have discussed this matter with high administration officials. I'm awaiting a reply from them."

Meanwhile, the Senate foreign relations committee met in closed session to question CIA Director Stansfield Turner about the arms sales.

Senator Frank Church told reporters there were several areas in which the administration might compromise to satisfy critics of the deal.

Church mentioned these possibilities:

-- Altering the proposal to increase the number of F-15 fighters sold to Israel.

-- Accelerating the delivery dates for the planes sold to Israel.

-- Obtaining assurances from Saudi Arabia that it will not purchase additional sophisticated aircraft.

-- Limiting the type of arms that would be sold to the Saudis for use on the F-15s.

### Formal campaign

The administration opened its formal campaign to gather support for the arms sales by sending Secretary of State Cyrus Vance, deputy secretary of state Warren Christopher, Defense Secretary Harold Brown, disarmament negotiator Paul Warnke and Air Force General David C. Jones, acting Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, to the Senate committee.

The questioning throughout the hearing was skeptical and there appeared little indication that the witnesses had succeeded in picking up the votes needed for majority committee support.

Church said he thought the committee would vote early next week -- probably on Monday -- on a resolution to disapprove the proposed sale. Before the vote can be blocked, both the House and the Senate must adopt resolutions rejecting the proposal.

He vowed Israel would never pull back to its pre-1967 borders or allow an independent Palestinian state to be set up -- two things the Arab states may say must be included in a settlement.

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## Brezhnev arrives in W. Germany for talks on detente, economy

CHICAGO, May 4 (R). — Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin stressed here that he would not accept two key Arab demands in a Middle East peace settlement.

"Nobody will dictate to us demands that are unacceptable,"

Mr. Begin told Jewish leaders yesterday in Chicago. He is on a cross-country tour to drum up support among American Jews for his Middle East policies.

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Throughout his heavy schedule of appearances in Chicago, Mr. Begin painted a picture of an Israel eager for peace but prepared to fight to the death to survive.

In his Northwestern address he said: "Every man and woman of goodwill will understand that we want real peace -- the peace of security".

Chancellor Helmut Schmidt in Bonn and Hamburg were expected mainly to concern East-West relations, chances of disarmament and two-way trade, learning aid.

In an interview with the social-democratic party weekly Vorwärts this week, Mr. Brezhnev said the Soviet Union had no aggressive intentions and was ready to scale down its forces in central Europe by 50 per cent if the West did likewise.

Government sources in Bonn said West Germany would point out that Soviet bloc tanks, medium-range missiles and men in central Europe heavily outnumber the Western armies. Bonn was not entering into negotiations with the Russians, but simply having an exchange of views, they said.

Similar rest periods were planned throughout the visit, in which Mr. Brezhnev will also meet ex-Chancellor Willy Brandt, a determined advocate of East-West detente and conservative opposition leaders who have strong reservations about carrying relaxation with the Communist world too far.

Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko and Foreign Trade Minister Nikolai Patolichev were among the 70-strong Soviet delegation. Three rounds of talks are planned in Bonn, with a final session at Chancellor Schmidt's residence in Hamburg on Sunday.

### Exchange of views

West German government sources said some 15 tons of communications equipment had been installed at Gynnich castle from Christ's cross,

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## The depth of Sami Esmail's bruises

Scratch a Zionist and underneath you'll usually find a compulsive liar when it comes to anything to do with Palestinian affairs. Two incidents this week are especially worth noting, and they make a lovely juxtaposition in the unending quest to discover the depths of Israeli deceit. The two incidents we have in mind are the dismissal of the Israeli military commander of the occupied West Bank, and the denial by Israeli prison officials that jailed American student Sami Esmail has been beaten during his stay in solitary confinement.

It is difficult accusing the Israelis in public of being habitual and compulsive frauds and liars, because Senator Henry Jackson and Senator Clifford Case -- of American Congressional fame -- will spring up like so many Jacks-in-the-box and recite long speeches asking for more Jewish emigration from the Soviet Union because Russian Jews are so badly treated. It is not graceful, in the world's code of hypocrisy, to accuse mistreated people of being liars.

But this week the Israelis have dismissed their top West Bank military officer because his troops used excessive force in beating up Palestinian schoolchildren in Beit Jala recently. When the charges were first made, many weeks ago, the Israelis denied them. But today we hear from the Israeli Defence Ministry that the original Israeli denial was untrue. Israel had lied.

So why should we believe the denial this week that prison guards have not beaten up Sami Esmail? If Sami Esmail were a Soviet Jew in a Siberian labour camp, would his accusations receive more attention and his case more notoriety in the Western world? We have seen this week that there is good cause not to believe what Israeli officials say, and we have an opportunity to challenge Israel's veracity once again, in a case where an American student is concerned.

Henry Jackson and Clifford Case, where are you when the world really needs you?

## ARAB PRESS COMMENTARY

Referring to the current tour of Sudanese President Jaafar Nimeiri of Cairo and other Arab capitals to clear obstacles in the way of an Arab summit, AL RAY Thursday expressed doubts as to whether the summit would be attended by the Steadfastness (Rejection) Front countries which oppose President Anwar Sadat's peace overtures with Israel.

The newspaper urges putting an end to Arab differences, since it says Israel has rejected the Egyptian president's initiative out of hand.

A completely new Arab approach should be made. It should be based on an assessment of the past and working out a unified strategy for the coming stage, the newspaper says.

AL DUSTOUR endorses Premier Badran's statement to the visiting Czech Foreign Minister Wednesday that the joint U.S.-Soviet declaration calling for the participation of all parties to the Middle East dispute -- including the two superpowers -- in a Geneva conference is the only way out of the deadlock in the peace process.

This clarification, the newspaper says, means that Jordan no longer sees any useful purpose in continuing the Egyptian-Israeli negotiations, which are revolving in a vicious circle, despite the efforts of Washington.

The newspaper notes that it is now clear that the American-Israeli discussions between President Jimmy Carter and Prime Minister Menachem Begin have failed to resolve any issue of substance because of Israel's refusal to pull back from all occupied Arab territories or abandon the policy of establishing settlements in these territories, let alone Israel's refusal to recognise the Palestinian people's right to self-determination.

## WHAT'S GOING ON

### Comedy Theatre

The Amman Players' new production of "The Bride and the Bachelor" continues today at the Jordan Theatre. The performance starts at 8:00 p.m.

### Flower exhibition

The sixth flower exhibition continues today at the Jordan Intercontinental Hotel. Tickets (JD 2,500 each) are available at the door.

# Boots, boots, boots... Jordan's new factory turns out 500 a day

Text and photos  
By Ian Kellas  
Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN — The Jordanian army will shortly be going on parade -- in Jordanian boots. The army has snapped up the whole of this year's output at the brand new boot and shoe factory set up by International Leather Products Co. (ILPC) close to the Zarqa motorway.

ILPC which was formed in 1976, is one of the very few non-Arab "joint venture" enterprises in Jordan engaged in manufacturing. And it is the only one in which ownership is shared exactly 50-50. There is nothing to prevent foreigners owning a Jordan based company 100 per cent but none in fact do. The foreigners in this partnership are the American firm Wolverine Worldwide, makers of those famous Hush Puppies. The other half of the shares are owned by the private shareholders in the part-government-owned Jordan Tanning Company.

The tannery is sited just next door to the JD 500,000 boot and shoe factory and of course supplies it with leather. The hides originally come from Africa. But they are cured here. The other main ingredient in a boot is rubber for the soles. The basic chemicals for this come from Europe but they are mixed and tested at the factory. Twelve different materials go into the final recipe for the soles.

The American partners played an important role in setting the factory up in the first place. But it is now run entirely by Jordanian management. And of course the labour is Jordanian.

Among the 70-strong workforce there are 35 women. There was no trouble at all recruiting them, Production Manager Issa Dafesh told the Jordan Times, because they were glad to find work so near their homes in Zarqa.

The ladies are responsible for the first part of the boot-making process at the factory, which involves sewing together the uppers. It takes eight separate operations before the leather cut-outs begin to look like the top of a boot. Each one is a skilled job and the factory has spent four months training its staff.

Once off the sewing machines, the boot top is passed along for "lasting" (moulding into shape), and finally for soiling. This all happens on some sophisticated bits of machinery, that look a bit like series of one-arm bandits.

It takes a single boot only 40 minutes to do the whole circuit and the factory is turning them out at the rate of 500 a day at the moment. But they are produced to a high standard. The final product is the same as the regulation U.S. military boot. The army is fussy about its footwear and a sample taken from the sole of a boot is bent backwards and forwards 25,000 times without cracking before it is considered good enough.

"There are other projects being thought of," Mr. Annab continued, "like tyres, for instance". A similar arrangement with a company which can guarantee the long term supply of rubber would be most advantageous, he said, particularly if one of the big tyre names from the West could be brought in on the deal. "Then you can be sure you have a market."



Boots stand at attention waiting to be attached to their soles.



A 13-ton press is used to cut out the shapes in leather as the first part of the boot-making process.



One of the very few unmechanised jobs at the factory is slapping on the sealing on the sealing rubber before the boot is soled.



Half the factory's workforce are women. Three of them sort out leather patterns before sending them on to be sewn up.

**Correction**

Sorry for the mix-up on page two in yesterday's paper. A picture of the new Department of Antiquities crept into the space reserved for a photo of the Library of the Royal Scientific Society. Our sincere apologies!

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## King Hussein continues tour of southern tribes

AMMAN, May 4 (JNA). — His Majesty the King today continued a tour of tribal areas in the south of the country. He visited the tribes of Al Damman-

aniyah, Huweitat and Albidou in the Petra area. During the tour, the King met with tribal sheikhs who briefed him on the tribes' social and educational needs.

Prince Hassan calls on religious leaders to preach love of land



His Highness Crown Prince Hassan receives religious leaders at the Royal Hashemite Court Thursday. Minister of Waqfs and Islamic Affairs Kamel Al Sharif, standing behind the Prince, looks on.

AMMAN, May 4 (JNA). — His Highness Crown Prince Hassan today told the participants of the ten-day third training and educational session of religious instructors and guides, organised by the Ministry of Waqfs and Islamic Affairs, that Israel is continuing to establish settlements in the occupied West Bank. He added that Israel has exploited labour in the West Bank by choosing unemployed workers to do menial work in the different fields of economic activity without giving them the chance to better their lot.

Since 1967 Jordan has spent \$1,000 million in backing the people in the West Bank. Prince Hassan pointed out that the Israeli plans must be foiled by retaining land and steadfastness in the face of a possible Israeli encroachment of the East Bank.

A number of scientists university professors and Islamic religious men will participate in this session.

## Jordan Times 1978 Tourism Supplement

The Jordan Times is publishing on May 11 1978 a supplement on the Jordanian Tourism Industry. This will include articles on tourism and hotel facilities, restaurants and entertainment, tourism development plans and interviews with key figures in the tourism industry in Jordan.

Advertisers and their agents are kindly requested to contact Middle East Communicators, Telephone Amman 42928 or the Advertising Manager of the Jordan Times to reserve space in this supplement.

In addition to the normal distribution of the Jordan Times a special print run will be distributed by the Ministry of Tourism as part of its promotion of Jordanian tourism.

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# On Sun Day, Carter proposes \$100m. more for solar energy plans

DENVER, Colorado, May 4 (Agencies). — President Jimmy Carter marked the observance of Sun Day yesterday with a surprise announcement of a \$100 million increase in proposed U.S. spending for solar and renewable energy projects next year. Presidential Press Secretary Jody Powell made the announcement as Carter flew here from Washington on the first leg of a three-day trip to four Western states.

Powell said the \$100 million would be spent on such projects as photovoltaic cells, wind-power projects and conversion of wood into gasoline and other fuels. He said the money would be "reprogrammed" from the other projects in the Department of Energy's proposed budget for the 1979 fiscal year that begins Oct. 1.

Photovoltaic cells convert sunlight directly into electricity. The money will be proposed for new or expanded projects in eight or nine different areas

including solar, wind, mini-hydroelectric and similar energy projects that are based on power sources that are naturally renewed.

Carter was scheduled to take part in Sun Day observances at the Solar Energy Research Institute. The visit kicked off the president's tour of Colorado, California, Oregon and Washington -- four states which Carter lost in the 1976 election.

The Solar Energy Research Institute is a government-financed project operated for the

Department of Energy by the private, non-profit Midwest Research Institute of Kansas City.

A cloudburst drenched Carter's outdoor rally at Golden, Colorado, in which he was to announce the extra \$100 million spending. His speech sh

ould have been made over an address system powered by the sun. But dense cloud followed by heavy rain forced him to resort to a battery-powered system and declare: "We've got a nuclear generator on a safe place -- 92 million miles away and its name is the sun."

said. The two leaders also agreed to strengthen consultative procedures between U.S. and Japanese monetary authorities following Mr. Fukuda's request that the United States do something towards stabilizing the dollar abroad.

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## Arms deal has nothing to do with Saudi oil dollar policies, says information minister

RIYADH, Saudi Arabia, May 4 (R). — Information Minister Mohammad Abdo Yamani said yesterday his country's opposition to higher oil prices and its support for the U.S. dollar did not depend on whether America sold his country 60 F-15 jet warplanes.

"Our positions on oil prices and on the dollar are based on economic premises," Dr. Yamani said in an interview with Reuters. "These will only change if there is a change in these premises."

He was commenting on an interview which the Washington Post had with Oil Minister Sheikh Ahmad Zaid Yamani about the sale of the planes.

"We place great importance and significance on this transaction," Sheikh Yamani was quoted as saying. "If we don't get it, then we will have a feeling that you are not concerned with our security."

President Carter has proposed selling F-15 warplanes to Saudi Arabia along with F-15 and F-16 planes to Israel and F-5s to Egypt. Congress has 30 days, from last Friday, to reject the sales.

Dr. Yamani said Saudi Arabia was a responsible nation and would continue to act as such. He ruled out "an emotional reaction" to a Congressional rejection. He said the 60 planes were "a minor part of our defence requirements ... We are virtually a sub-continent and 60 planes would not go very far in helping to defend our vast country," he added.

Dr. Yamani said the opposition of Israel and its supporters to the American fighter sale to Saudi Arabia was not related to any fear of Saudi Arabia or a potential threat from it. "What they are afraid of is that the success of this sale would further underline Saudi-U.S. friendship," he said.

## U.K. reserves hit new low

LONDON, May 4 (AP). — Britain's gold and foreign currency reserves fell by a record \$3.282 billion in April to stand at \$17,038 billion dollars at the end of the month, the Treasury announced yesterday.

The drop, the largest ever recorded in a single month, reflected the generous support the Bank of England has been giving to the pound over the past month.

A London Foreign Exchange dealer commented that the money market was already aware of the bank's heavy intervention to prop up sterling and it was little affected by the Treasury's announcement.

## FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES

LONDON, (R). — Following are the buying and selling rates for leading world currencies against the dollar at the close of international banking on the London foreign exchange market last night. Tourist rates will differ from those quoted below.

One sterling . . . .	1.8282/87	U.S. dollars
One dollar . . . .	2.0685/0715	West German marks
	2.2080/2110	Dutch guilders
	1.9460/9500	Swiss francs
	32.20/25	Belgian francs
	4.5900/50	French francs
	866.50/867.00	Italian lire
	224.55/70	Japanese yen
	4.6075/6150	Swedish crowns
	5.3800/3900	Norwegian crowns
	5.6500/6600	Danish crowns.

## London Market Report

An upward trend in prices was halted Thursday when the Bank of England signalled it would not oppose an increase in the minimum lending rate, dealers said. Overall trading was quiet and at 15:00 the F.T. index was up 5.9 at 447.8.

Government bonds were marked down from earlier gains with long dated issues returning to overnight levels, while shorts lost up to 1/4 point, they added.

Industrial leaders finished below the day's highs, with gains of up to 10p.

Gold closed higher in line with the bullion price, while U.S. Canadian and Australian stocks eased.

Price of gold closed in London Thursday at \$173.30/oz.

## Kuwaiti oil minister: Prices must go up to offset dollar losses

KUWAIT, May 4 (Agencies). — Kuwait's oil minister was quoted last night as saying higher oil prices were needed to offset losses suffered by oil producing countries because of the fall of the U.S. dollar.

Sheikh Ali Khalifa Al Sabah told the magazine Al Watan that indications show that measures taken so far have been ineffective in curbing the dollar deterioration.

"The only alternative to compensate losses suffered by oil producing countries lies in raising the prices."

The minister told the magazine, which is owned by the co-

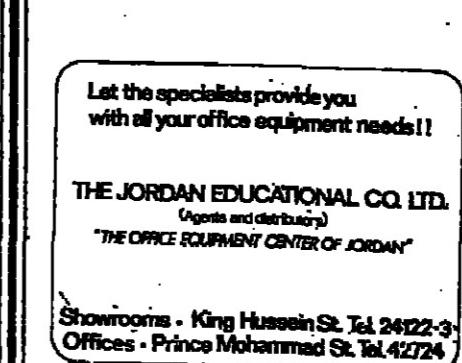
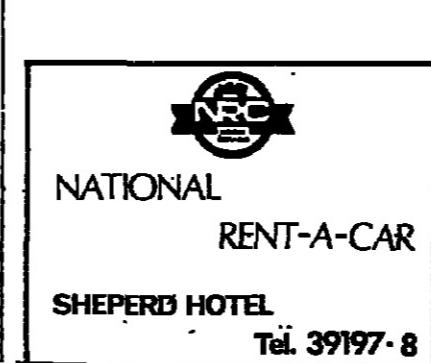
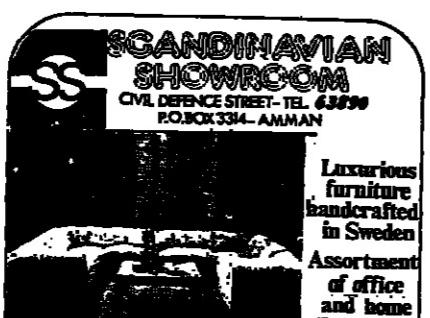
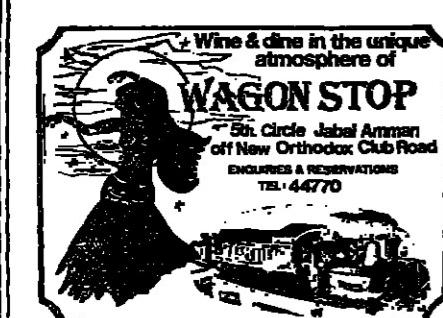
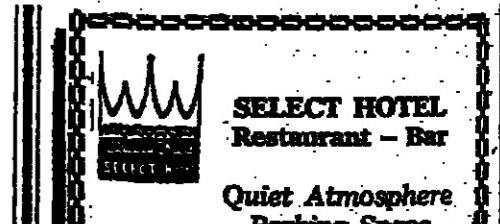
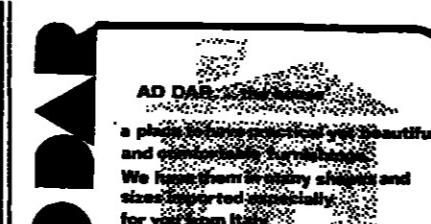
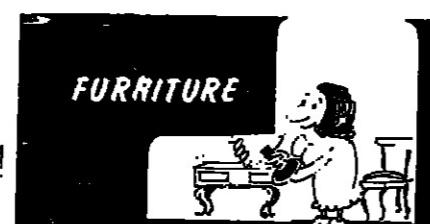
pany's National Petroleum Company, that the losses sustained by Kuwait and other countries "could not be ignored."

He added: "As it is impossible to ignore the dollar deterioration in foreign markets any longer, there is no way to recover some of the big losses except by fresh price increases."

He said Kuwait has no objection to adopting a "basket" of currencies for calculating oil prices.

The dollar issue will be discussed by the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) in Taif, Saudi Arabia, on Saturday.

# AMMAN MARKETPLACE



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**SERIES** (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Get together with your friends for mutually pleasing recreational activities. The new appreciation for devotion of loved one. Avoid one that could be a troublemaker.

**AURUS** (Apr. 20 to May 20) Spend a little more money than usual on pleasures and derive more joy, especially one you love. Having a talk with a trusted adviser brings good results now.

**EMINI** (May 21 to June 21) Plan recreations now for coming weekend. Know what your personal desires and how to gain them.

**JOON CHILDREN** (June 22 to July 21) Get into community work that will gain you the favor of bigwigs and get good results. You are able to get ahead faster where your career is concerned. Be careful of strangers.

**LEO** (July 22 to Aug. 21) Plan that trip where you will be able to get the data you need. You can meet contacts that can be most helpful to you in the future.

**IRGO** (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Make necessary payments, for the sake of bigger ventures ahead. Spend some time with a loved one, but avoid spending too much money for pleasure.

**SCRA** (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Talk over details with an associate and come to a better understanding easily. A matter comes up that can mean more prestige for Show more devotion at home.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Your work will be better if you will show more profit if you are more enthusiastic in it. Be more courteous with a co-worker.

**AGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Try something in the way of entertainment and relieve tensions. Get better relations with loved ones.

**APRICORN** (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Do whatever will set you apart and add to harmony at home. Do some entertaining at home, but don't invite the party-pooper.

**QUARIUS** (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Show partners how you enjoy being associated with them and gain her goodwill. Take care of correspondence you have been putting off for too long.

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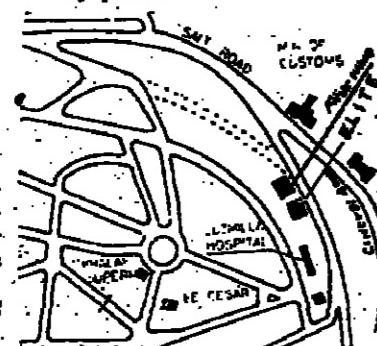
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# Airbus makers poise for David and Goliath struggle with American aircraft giants

By Gilbert Seddon

PARIS, (R). — Following a remarkable breakthrough into the lucrative U.S. market, the makers of the European Airbus are poised for a David and Goliath struggle with the American aircraft giants.

The European Airbus consortium, which consists of the French, West German, British, Dutch and Spanish aircraft industries, is not only stepping up production of the 250-seat Airbus but also developing a new family of Jumbo jets. On the drawing board, awaiting decisions to build, are a shorter version of the Airbus known as the A-300-B-10 and two short-to-medium-range airliners known as Jet One and Jet Two.

Determined to get a share

"We are determined to have a share of the world market," said Airbus Executive Roger Betsell, "and we are out to get it."

The recent sale to Eastern Airlines, one of America's largest domestic carriers, of 23 Airbuses in a single deal worth \$800 million, opened up the hitherto almost inaccessible U.S. market.

Frank Borman, Eastern's Chairman and a former astronaut, said that in trials on the company's routes to Florida, the plane was about 30 per cent more economical in fuel than Eastern's fleet of Boeing 727s, and about 20 per cent more fuel efficient than its American rivals. Eastern Airlines have renamed it the "whisperliner".

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The American aircraft industry dominates the world market with Boeing, McDonnell-Douglas and Lockheed controlling 95 per cent of total sales and Boeing alone accounting for 65 per cent.

"But from now on the U.S. aircraft industry will have to reckon with European competition," Mr. Betsell said.

"To meet new orders, we are doubling our production rate from one to two planes a month by the end of this year," he said. "And we expect to make six a month by next year."

## Strong competition

In less than five years, the Airbus broke through the "100 barrier", and at one time overtook Boeing sales of Jumbo jets.

There are now 50 Airbuses flying with a dozen international airlines, 50 others on firm order and another 50 on paid up options.

"We expect to sell 500 Airbuses during the next five years, according to our market survey," the executive said. "But by that time we shall have our new B-10 and Euro-jets on the market," he said.

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The Airbus A-300-B-10 and

Before attacking the American market, the European consortium won sizable orders from Korean Air Lines (KAL), Indian Airlines, Thai Airways International and more recently for Iran Air and Greece's Olympic Airways, all of which were previously considered a U.S. preserve.

True, the contract with Eastern involves a large series of detailed financing clauses that have raised questions as to how profitable the deal is for the European manufacturers, considering that the U.S. supplies the engines and some parts of the aircraft.

Position to win new orders

But the Airbus, the first European airliner to break into the U.S. market since the short-lived sales of French Caravelles and British Viscounts in the United States 20 years ago, will be in a good position to win new orders.

The Airbus expects orders from Allegheny Airlines of Washington for its service between Pittsburgh and Los Angeles, San Francisco and Denver, and Pacific Southwest Airlines of San Diego.

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# New Afghani rulers declare their "respect" for Islam, claim they are not Communists

KABUL, May 4 (R). — The new leftist rulers of Afghanistan have told the world that their government swept in by a bloody coup one week ago is not Communist. New President Nur Mohammed Tarakki, who is 65, said in his first radio broadcast that to call his Republican Revolutionary Council a Communist government was a complete misnomer. Nor was it pro-Soviet.

It had great respect for Islam, the faith fervently embraced by most of the 20 million Afghans, Mr. Tarakki declared.

Diplomats said that, in fact, the new government was dominated by members of the staunchly pro-Soviet Democratic Khalq (People's) Party -- the Communist Party -- and backed by Soviet-trained soldiers.

But the diplomats predicted that Mr. Tarakki would hesitate to bring in an orthodox Communist state so devoutly Moslem and backward a country as Afghanistan.

Mr. Tarakki, a poet and former press attaché in Washington, was described as a moderate by experienced analysts of Afghan politics. But they speculated that greater influence might eventually be exerted by his Vice President and Deputy Premier -- Babrak Karmal.

## Nationalists suffer major setback in local Scottish polls

GLASGOW, Scotland, May 4 (AP). — The movement for Scottish independence suffered a major setback in local elections yesterday. The voting appeared to reflect gains for Britain's Labour government.

The Scottish National Party, which wants to end Scotland's ties with England, suffered losses which its own members admit put it back to where it stood four years ago.

William Wolfe, Chairman of the SNP, called the results "disappointing".

Although the SNP only lost nine of the 511 seats contested, it was enough to swing control of some local councils to either the Labour or Conserva-

tive Parties.

"It looks as if Scotland is rallying decisively behind the Labour government and rejecting the SNP's separatist policies," said Ron Haywood, Labour's General Secretary.

With all the results in, Labour had a net gain of 11 seats and the Conservatives gained 16 seats. On the national parliamentary level, however, the Conservative Party poses little threat to Labour in Scotland.

The SNP made massive gains in the 1974 local and national elections, and political commentators said the poor showing showed its momentum was beginning to die.

## Urgent political, strategic questions are raised as Communists take over Afghanistan

KABUL, May 4 (Agencies). — The sudden emergence of a Communist government in the traditionally neutral buffer state of Afghanistan raises disturbing new political and strategic questions in the South Asia region.

The Afghan Communist Party is staunchly pro-Soviet and is backed by an efficient army and air force which is largely Soviet-trained and well-equipped with Russian arms.

Western and South Asian diplomats in Kabul were taken unawares by the swiftness and completeness of the Communist takeover of power.

Head of state and Prime Minister Nur Mohammed Tarakki, 65, and his two senior colleagues in the new government make up the leadership of the Afghan Democratic Khalq (People's) Party.

The three military members of his cabinet -- including the air force and tank commanders who led the April 27 coup which brought him to power -- are identified as leftists with close links with the Communist Party.

How radical?

President Tarakki's cabinet has been in almost continuous session with its military backers since the new government was announced on Monday night. Diplomats are waiting anxiously on its first policy statement, to judge how radical the regime might be.

A Communist Afghan state on the lines of Czechoslovakia or Hungary would bring the Soviet Union virtually to the borders of Pakistan and much nearer the long-supposed Soviet goal of a warm water port.

It would also further alarm

Iran, a fast-growing regional military power which has always been sensitive to encirclement by its giant northern neighbour. Even India, the third major regional power and once clearly pro-Soviet itself, would be made uneasy by developments of this kind.

Some Western representatives believe their relations with the new regime will be difficult, at least initially. But most observers are agreed that it would be impossible to convert Afghanistan to doctrinaire Communism in the foreseeable future and that its pro-Soviet line will be strongly tempered by Islam and regional considerations.

### United by Islam

Afghanistan, a country of almost 20 million, is a complex mix of tribal and racial groups, united mainly by the Islamic religion and a fierce determination to resist external control.

Last week's violent coup exposed serious differences in its armed forces. The takeover by the left-wing junta was resisted in Kabul for almost 24 hours and only the sophisticated firepower of the air force swung the balance in the rebels' favour.

Some Western estimates put the number of people killed during two days of fighting and a subsequent series of executions as high as 10,000. But this figure is generally regarded as exaggerated.

President Tarakki was quoted by the official Soviet news agency Tass today as describing as a "shameless lie" reports that there were mass killings during last week's coup.

In a report from Kabul, Tass quoted the new Afghan leader

as saying his government would follow an independent and peace-loving foreign policy based on the principles of peaceful coexistence.

Tass said Mr. Tarakki was speaking on Kabul Radio in an interview broadcast last night.

The main fighting centred on the tick-walled Presidential Palace compound which occupies almost a full city block in the central area of Kabul.

The former President Mohammed Daoud's Palace Guard, variously estimated at between 1,500 and 4,000 strong, resisted fiercely and fought to the last 200 men, according to eyewitness reports.

### But many did die

The 15th Tank Regiment and the Seventh and Eighth Army Division Headquarters in Kabul and some units along with the para-military police and security forces are reported to have been shot in the aftermath of the coup.

The grim Kabul prison was the scene of mass executions, with rifle and submachine-gum fire echoing within its walls, well-informed sources said.

Most observers believe the coup was meticulously planned but staged sooner than leftist military and Communist leaders had originally intended.

The showdown between the Daoud administration and the leftists had been coming for 18 months since the president eased out of his government Communist Party members and the young leftist officers who helped stage the 1973 coup which brought him to power.

"The left thought they would control Daoud but instead he got rid of them. This was their revenge," one highly-placed source said.



French victim of Lebanon clashes

A trooper of the French United Nations peace-keeping forces lies wounded in bed at the Hotel Dieu Hospital in Beirut on Wednesday. The soldier was one of several victims of incidents in the south of Lebanon during which armed men clashed with U.N. troops on the same day. Three died and 12 were wounded in the clashes. (AP wirephoto)

## U.S. House committee votes to lift arms embargo on Turkey

WASHINGTON, May 4 (R). — The House of Representatives International Relations Committee yesterday voted 18 to 17 to lift the embargo imposed by Congress on U.S. arms sales to Turkey.

It took the action after several members argued that the three-year-old embargo, imposed because Turkey used U.S. weapons in its 1974 invasion of Cyprus, worked against

U.S. efforts to mediate a settlement to the Cypriot dispute.

The Carter administration had urged Congress to lift the embargo, saying it had not helped progress in the Cypriot dispute and had caused serious weakness in NATO's southeastern flank.

It had also argued that removal of the embargo would do away with a symbol that

had prevented the Turks from being as forthcoming as necessary to achieve a settlement.

The committee's vote, taken as it neared completion of a \$1.85 billion foreign military aid bill for the 1979 financial year, was thus a major victory for the Carter administration.

The issue now goes to the House floor where further efforts to maintain the embargo by supporters of Greece are expected.

There was no immediate indication of when it would reach the floor but it is also pending before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee which began hearings on the proposal on Tuesday.

Strong opposition to the administration's request to lift the embargo was voiced by several members of the Senate panel at Tuesday's hearing.

In Athens, the Greek press today forecast that President Carter's plan to lift the arms embargo on Turkey would have difficulty winning approval in Congress.

Newspapers carried front-page reports of yesterday's vote of the House of Representatives' committee in favour of lifting the embargo.

They said two committee members in favour of retaining the embargo had not voted. The result would have been different if they had, the papers said. The opposition liberal daily Ta Nea called the vote a "victory-defeat" for President Carter.

## Senate Republicans slam Carter's foreign and defence policies

WASHINGTON, May 4 (Agencies). — Opposition Republican senators last night described President Carter's administration as inexperienced and inept in its handling of foreign policy and national defense.

"In 15 short months of incoherence, inconsistency and ineptitude, our foreign and national security objectives are confused and we are being challenged around the globe by Soviet arrogance," said a report by the 38 Republican members of the Senate.

The report on national security and foreign policy criticised the Carter administration for its concessions in nuclear arms talks with the Soviet Union, the small size of the United States' defense budget and the planned withdrawal of American ground troops from South Korea.

While its support of human rights was in the best American tradition, the report said, "this administration has failed to handle the situation with adequate sensitivity and skill."

It noted the growing influence of Eurocommunism and added:

ded that the Carter administration had not used its influence to try to forestall the presence of Communists in the governments of major Western powers.

Although the document covered a broad range of topics, it contained no statement on the controversial sale of warplanes to Israel, Saudi Arabia and Egypt.

Senate minority leader Howard Baker said Republican members had not reached a consensus on that issue.

Among its recommendations, the statement urged higher defense spending and a bigger naval shipbuilding programme than proposed by the administration.

Baker and Sen. John Tower of Texas, Chairman of the Senate Republican Policy Committee, emphasised what they said is widespread concern about the course of strategic arms limitation talks with the Soviet Union.

Baker said he supports SALT talks but is worried the current negotiations point towards an agreement "distinctly unfavourable to the United States."

### JUMBLE

THAT SCRABLED WORD GAME

by Henri Arnold and Bob Lee

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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You might find ants in these eating places.

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

ANSWER: \_\_\_\_\_

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumble: PATIO CHAMP DELUGE BOILED

Answer: Fleas up just like he does -- could it be this? -- A GOOD MATCH

### THE Daily Crossword

by Susan Mindell

ACROSS	27 Accommodations at San Quentin	54 Ocean 40 days after Easter	21 Rushes
1 Small airship	28 Would-be newlywed	55 Detective Charlie	22 Beginning of an oak
6 Move obliquely	30 Flings	56 Soon	23 Resting place
10 Song of a troubadour	31 Information	60 -- bear	24 Verve
14 Countified	33 Man's name	64 Run or rule	25 -- "said the little red hen"
15 Public conveyance	36 Group concerned with the Easter date	65 Sly trick	26 Moccasin
16 Accomplishes	41 Pilots	66 Instant	30 Rumpel
17 Marble	42 Opera tune	67 Water pitcher	33 Notice
18 Greek god	44 Convent	68 Mimic	34 Preze
19 Wood sorrels	45 Convert	69 Trapshoot	35 Beetle
20 Springtime promenade	48 Cargo	70 Dine in Hamburg	37 Dine in Scoundrel
22 Franklin or Gazzara	50 Gripe	71 Rainbowl	38 Rainbowl
23	51 Worked diligently	72 Short letter	40 Short letter
26 Exhausted	52 Worked diligently	73 Valentine	43 Khan
		74 Black or Black	44 Paris thug
		75 Make an effort	45 Sabotage
		76 Will-o-the-wisp	46 Smoother
		77 Is an ardent fan of	47 Adjusts to suit
		11 Union units	51 Glamor photo
		12 Parish men	52 Immortal secret
		13 Size up	53 Teasdale
			57 Part of NYC
			61 Commit paroxysm
			62 King basket
			63 Steep, to soften

Yesterday's Puzzle Solved:

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